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From 24 January to 2 February 1953, the Artillerie Kaserne on the Oder Island, Kuestrin, was occupied to capacity. Instruction on 6 x 37-mm AT guns was almost daily seen in the western training area, and instruction on 85-mm AA guns was seen in the eastern training area. On 25 January, about 12 x 37-mm AA guns were seen in the west section and, on 18 January, 16 x 85-mm AA guns and 4 canvas-covered devices in the southeast section. About 50 to 60 soldiers drilled in the southeast section. On 28 January and 2 February, about 24 soldiers received instruction on 4 machine guns on tripods in the meadow southwest of the installation. On 28 January, about 120 soldiers left the installation toward Reitwein. A telephone line was being strung in the same direction. From 24 January to 2 February, firing of rifles and carbines was daily heard from the firing range.

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Comment. The Artillerie Kaserne is occupied by units of a light and a medium regiment of the 32d AAA Div (US) as reported by the same source on 1 January 1953.

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